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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF  
ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed November 14, 2005, Applicant requests reinstatement of the application for no fee.

The Notice states that the application has been abandoned in view of the decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered on April 25, 2005 and because the period for seeking Court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.

However, the period for seeking Court review had not expired on the date of mailing of the Notice of Abandonment. Within two months from the Board's decision, namely on June 24, 2005, Applicant submitted a Request for Rehearing of the appeal decision. See the attached copy of the transaction history of the present application taken from PAIR. Accordingly, filing the Request for Rehearing stayed the period for seeking Court review. On October 13, 2005, the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered a decision on the Request for Rehearing. Accordingly, according to 37 C.F.R. §1.304, the time for filing an appeal for seeking Court review of the decision expires two months after action on the Request for

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Rehearing. Therefore, the present application will not become abandoned until December 14, 2005.

Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.8(b), Applicants are hereby: (1) informing the Office of the previous mailing promptly after becoming aware of the Notice of Abandonment, (2) supplying an additional copy of the previously mailed correspondence, and (3) including a Statement that attests on a personal knowledge basis to the previously timely mailing. It will be noted that the Request for Rehearing included a Certificate of Mailing as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.8, which clearly shows that the Request for Rehearing was filed on June 24, 2005, which was within the time set for response in the latest Office Action.

Having complied with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.8, Applicants hereby request that the attached Request for Rehearing be entered and considered by the Examiner as though it were received on June 24, 2005, as is the case. If there are any questions concerning this matter, Applicant asks the Examiner to call the undersigned at the number listed below.

Accordingly, Applicant requests reinstatement of the application for no fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(b)(3)

This statement is made to attest to my personal knowledge of having deposited the originals of the enclosed Request for Rehearing and postcard in Express mail on June 24, 2005 for the above-captioned application. I am the individual who signed the Certificate of Mailing on the Request and specifically recall depositing this Request and postcard in Express mail addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Post Office Box 1450, Washington, D.C. 22313-1450 on June 24, 2005.

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of any patent resulting therefrom.

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| 03-31-2004 | Mail Advisory Action (PTOL - 303)                            |
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| 01-09-2004 | Mail Final Rejection (PTOL - 326)                            |
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| 08-05-2002 | Date Forwarded to Examiner                                   |
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| 07-22-2002 | <b>Workflow - Request for RCE - Begin</b>                    |
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| 02-19-2002 | Notification of Terminal Disclaimer - Accepted      |
| 01-23-2002 | <b>Terminal Disclaimer Filed</b>                    |
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